

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A laundry additive article effective for selectively absorbing and inhibiting transfer of extraneous dyes in a wash solution, said article comprising:
 - a) an insoluble substrate for introduction into a wash solution;
 - b) a dye absorber comprising a substantially insoluble non-cationic polymeric amine comprising vinyl imidazole fixably adhered to said substrate;
 - c) optionally, a dye transfer inhibitor releasably associated with said substrate.
2. (Currently amended) The laundry additive article of Claim 1 wherein said dye absorber is polyvinyl pyrrolidone co-vinyl imidazole, selected from the group consisting of cross-linked amine polymers formed by copolymerizing vinyl or acrylic type monomers having an amino group with a monomer having a group capable of forming branches and cross-linked amine polymers formed by cross-linking soluble amino-containing molecules with reactive cross-linking agents.
3. (Currently amended) The laundry additive article of Claim 4 2 wherein said dye absorber comprises polyvinyl pyrrolidone co-vinyl imidazole and a polymeric amine-epichlorohydrin resin, is formed by copolymerizing:
 - a) a bifunctional vinyl or acrylic type monomer having an amine group, with
 - b) a monomer having a group capable of forming branches or cross links, wherein said monomer having a group capable of forming branches or cross links is selected from the group consisting of trifunctional vinyl compounds, polyfunctional vinyl compounds, trifunctional acrylic compounds, polyfunctional acrylic compounds and mixtures thereof.

Claims 4-24 (Canceled)

25. (Currently amended) A method for preventing transfer of extraneous dyes in a wash solution containing an anionic surfactant comprising the steps:

- a) adding to said wash solution a cleaning effective amount of detergent comprising an anionic surfactant;
- b) adding to said wash solution a laundry additive article according to Claim 1 designed for selectively absorbing and inhibiting transfer of extraneous dyes in a wash solution before or after addition of articles and/or garments; said article comprising:
 - (i) an insoluble substrate;
 - (ii) a dye absorber comprising a substantially insoluble polymeric amine fixably adhered to said substrate; and
 - (iii) optionally, a dye transfer inhibitor releasably associated with said substrate;
- c) leaving said laundry additive article in contact with said wash solution during an entire laundering cycle; and
- d) optionally, leaving said laundry additive article with said articles and/or garments when they are placed in a clothes dryer.